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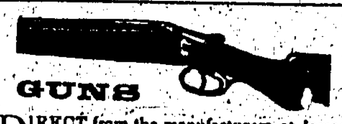

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THE WHITE PERIL IN CHINA.

A CHINESE ON EUROPEANS.

Inscrutable as the outlook in China must for the present remain no one will deny that, if the death of the Emperor means little, the death of the Dowager Empress means a great deal to the Celestial Empire at large. Some account of the forces now at work within that Empire, gathered as it is from an authoritative Chinese source, cannot fail to be interesting at such a moment, and I give it for the most part in the words of my informant.

"When I hear Englishmen talking about the Yellow Peril and see them shaking their heads at the idea of China 'waking up,' I sometimes wonder why it never occurs to them that a reformed, revivified China would perhaps be a welcome addition to the family of nations. China is very big, very unwieldy, very self-sufficient—because self-supporting—very conservative, very patient. The English, too, are conservative at heart, very tenacious, in practice, of old customs, old ideals, old superstitions. Like the Chinese, too, and unlike most other nations, they are not wedded to one religious faith, but, at bottom, think of religion as a 'propriety,' a 'decency,' and would rather a man upheld a religion he did not quite believe in than waive all such things aside. I say all this in order that Englishmen should get rid of the idea that in the main the Chinese character is 'mysterious' and enigmatical."

THAT STRANGE CREATURE—THE FOREIGNER.

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Turning to another point, my informant went on: "If China may fairly be named as the country where that sort of intrigue and corruption, always described as 'typical' of the Orient holds unbridled sway, it is plain that these vices have by no means ceased to play a part in Western civilisation, for we have abundant examples of corruption and dishonesty in the very traffickings with our Empire in which Western foreigners have indulged. Thus in our intercourse with you, your practices have been such as have materially marred the effect of your precepts.

THE "AWAKENING" AND ITS MEANING.

"Let me instance the Railway Concession traffic of a few years back, from the effects of which China still suffers. You bought concessions from us and your Government enforced agreements by which, if the scheme failed, we had to bear the financial and other burdens; whilst if it succeeded, the profits went to you. Add to this manifest iniquity the fact that we were single-minded enough—foolish enough, I had better say—to permit the foreign advisers of these syndicates to decide the direction and character of the railways, so that they were constructed purely to earn speedy and large profits, without regard to strategic, or, indeed, native consideration at all, and you see how little we have for which to thank the Western 'business man.' To the Chinaman, then, who looks ahead, the 'Awakening of China' means the realisation at its full significance of what has been for long a 'White Peril' in our land.

"You remember the Shanghai riots of last year? Shanghai is now a huge cosmopolitan settlement. To the Chinese mind it represents the chief nest of that parasitic population of foreigners who have settled upon us for commercial purposes of their own and from which we derive no real benefit at all. They bring with them their own laws in a very practical sense; a police of their own has been forced upon us, in the sense that it does not when it so dares scruple to interfere with our people. In this particular affair, a Chinese woman accused of kidnapping (in spite of the fact that the charge related to an alleged offence committed thousands of miles away from Shanghai, and therefore outside any foreign jurisdiction) was arrested in Shanghai by the foreign police, and, contrary to all proper custom, was lodged in the foreign gaol. Unavailing official protest followed, and naturally riots ensued. Surely no one can be surprised at our indignation and revolt."—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

THE "PINANG LAWYER."

Concerning the origin of the name Pinang Lawyer as applied to the cane walking-stick common in Penang, which it was suggested came from Pinang Liar, the wild Pinang tree, a correspondent writes to the *Utusan Melayu* (*Malay Herald*) giving an explanation. He says the term is Pinang Loyang, the loyang being a species of plam found on Penang Hill. There has been a dispute for ten years about this term and even yet people are calling it Pinang Lawyer. Twenty-five years ago walking sticks were made from a palm called jejolang, the leaves of which were made into attap. Canes then were introduced, walking sticks which cost $1.50 each. They were soon by the natives. Possibly the origin will be forgotten and in another 125 years we shall hear them called "Moses Rod."

WEATHER FORECAST AND STORM WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Tsui for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected here:—

Signal No.		
1.	A CONE point upwards	indicates a Typhoon to the North of the Colony.
2.	A CONE point upwards and DRUM below	indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.
3.	A DRUM	indicates a Typhoon to the East of the Colony.
4.	A CONE point downwards and DRUM below	indicates a Typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.
5.	A CONE point downwards	indicates a Typhoon to the South of the Colony.
6.	A CONE point downwards and BALL below	indicates a Typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.
7.	A BALL	indicates a Typhoon to the West of the Colony.
8.	A CONE point upwards and BALL below	indicates a Typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signal indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. *Tamar*, Green Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office:—

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. *Tamar*.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III. Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted for the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNINGS.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour.

Gap Rock.	Aberdeen.
Waglan.	Sai Ki Wan.
Stanley.	Sai Kung.
Cape Collinson.	Sha Tau Kok.
	Tai Po.

This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given to Ocean Vessels on demand, by signal from the light-houses.

F. G. Free,
Director.

16th July, 1907.

Intimation.

Powell's

GRAND CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

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Every conceivable kind of Toy,

From 10 Cents to 35 Dollars.

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A gorgeous array of Fairies, dressed, partly dressed and undressed,

From 25 Cents to 30 Dollars each.

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of all kinds,

Including:

Polar Bears, Grizzly Bears, Teddy Bears, Hares, Rabbits, Terriers, Bulldogs, Spaniels, Monkeys, Cats, Donkeys, Horses, Elephants,

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All the newest Parlour Games,

Comprising:

Cups and Balls, Garden Throwing, Peg Quoits, Captive Skittles, Ballooning, Sea Fights, New Hopla, Pop in Taw, Atlas Race Games, Leap Frog, Bowls, Planchette, Giggle Goggle, Ring Pitch,

etc., etc., etc.

XMAS TREE Decorations and Ornaments GALORE.

Rocking Horses,
Tricycles,
Hobby Horses,
&c., &c., &c.

Fancy Goods.

POWELL'S

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1908. [69

Intimations.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE is hereby given that CHONG HING AND COMPANY, of No. 395, Queen's Road West, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Tin Merchants, have, on the 14th October, 1908, applied for the Registration, in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the following Trade Marks:—

1. A Circular design containing four Chinese characters (中興公司) which is surrounded by an outer circle upon which appears the words "Chong Hing and Co." in English which words are a translation of the aforesaid four Chinese characters and the whole is surrounded by an outer circle.
2. An oblong tablet upon which appears the words "Chung Hing and Co." in English and immediately above the words Chung Hing appears the Chinese characters (中興) meaning in English Chung Hing.
3. An oblong tablet upon which appear the letters "C. H." meaning Chong Hing.
4. An oblong tablet upon which appear eight Chinese characters) 揀選頂上瓜紅洪錫) meaning in English Best Selected Quartong Tin Slabs immediately above the eight Chinese characters appear the two Chinese characters (中興) meaning in English "Chong Hing".
5. Two small tablets upon one of which appear two Chinese characters (中興) meaning in English "Chong Hing" and upon the other tablet appear two Chinese characters (斗錫) meaning in English "Tin Ingots" both of which tablets are used together and form one Trade Mark;

in the name of CHONG HING AND COMPANY who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof.

The Trade Marks have been used by the Applicants in respect of TIN in Class 5 since the following years:—

No. 1. Since 1890.
Nos. 2 & 3. Since 1896.
Nos. 4 & 5. Since 1889.

Facsimiles of such Trade Marks can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, and also at the Office of the Undersigned.

Dated the 17th day of November, 1908.

DEACON, LOOKER & DEACON,
No. 1, Des Vœux Road Central,
Victoria, Hongkong,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

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CADBURY'S CHOCOLATE,
PERNOT BISCUITS,
&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1908. [90

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net $5.50 per Cask ex Factory.

In Bags of 250 lbs. net $3.45 per Bag ex Factory

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,
General Managers

Hongkong, 15th August, 1908. [91

PABST BREWING COMPANY, MILWAUKEE

FRESH SUPPLIES
ALWAYS KEPT IN STOCK
BY
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents for
HONGKONG & SOUTH CHINA.

Hongkong, 29th July, 1907. [61

THERAPION MAY NOW ALSO BE OBTAINED IN DRAGEE (TASTELESS) FORM.

A BROKEN-DOWN SYSTEM

This is a condition (or disease) to which doctors give many names, but which few of them really understand. It is simply weakness—a break-down, as it were, of the vital forces that sustain the system. No matter what may be its causes (for they are almost numberless), its symptoms are much the same; the more prominent being sleeplessness, sense of prostration or weariness, depression of spirits and want of energy for all the duties and affairs of life. Now, what alone is absolutely essential in all such cases is *increased vitality*—

VITAL STRENGTH & ENERGY

to throw off these morbid feelings, and experience proves that as night succeeds the day this may more certainly secured by a course of

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY

THERAPION No. 3

than by any other known combination. So surely as it is taken in accordance with the printed directions accompanying it, will the shattered health be restored.

THE EXPIRING LAMP OF LIFE RELIGHTED UP AFRESH,

and a new existence imparted in place of weariness and an lately seemed worn-out, "used up," and valueless. This wonderful medicament is purely vegetable and innocuous, is agreeable to the taste, suitable for all constitutions and conditions, in either sex; and it is difficult to imagine a case of disease or derangement, whose main features are those of debility, that will not be speedily and permanently benefited by this never-failing restorative essence, which is destined to cast into oblivion everything that had preceded it for this wide-spread and numerous class of human ailments.

THERAPION, is sold by the principal Chemists throughout the world. Price in England, 2/3 per packet. Purchasers should see that the word "THERAPION" appears on British Government Stamp (in white letters on a red ground) affixed to every package by order of His Majesty's Home Commissioners, the without which it is a forgery.

Sold by all Chemists. [63—0

OPIUM IN THE PHILIPPINES.

EFFECT OF RESTRICTION.

In reviewing the business in opium in the Philippine Islands during the fiscal year 1908, the Collector of Customs in his annual report says:

Opium, of which the British East Indies was, during 1908, as in previous years, the principal source of supply, shows a decrease in the value of 1908 receipts from those of 1907 of $369,617, the total value of importations during 1908 having been but $143,670. This decrease was due to the prohibition of the use of this drug, except for medicinal purposes, by Act No. 1761, of the Philippine Commission, which became effective March 1, 1908. In view of this legislation, the importations practically ceased after November, 1907, since which time the only opium entered through Philippine custom-houses consisted of small consignments of pharmaceutical preparations for medicinal purposes. The following statement shows the quantity of opium imported, its value, and the amount of duty collected thereon, during each fiscal year from 1899 to 1908, inclusive, and will give an idea as to the direct effect of the elimination of this commodity from the islands' trade upon the aggregate value of imports as well as upon the customs revenue:—

Fiscal year	Pounds	Value.	Duty.
1899	91,823	$155,310	$61,586
1900	155,672	477,027	132,392
1901	221,683	619,338	187,020
1902	285,413	819,625	263,406
1903	259,473	721,551	357,575
1904	269,770	770,596	338,422
1905	258,128	850,381	366,893
1906	150,292	440,464	272,955
1907	169,933	513,287	308,277
1908	50,776	14,670	92,126
Total	1,902,933	5,611,249	2,383,652

TIN IN SINGAPORE.

AN EXCITING DISCOVERY.

Natives and old residents have always said there was tin in Singapore, the former pointing to the name of the principal hill, Bukit Timah, as a proof of the assertion. And no doubt tin has been found in various parts of the island, but not in anything like quantities. It has fallen to the good fortune of Mr. T. C. Loveridge to produce the "bijeh" in saleable quantities, and that from the Bukit Mandai, a hill on the northern slopes of Bukit Timah, between the 11th and 12th miles on the Bukit Timah rd and close to where the Singapore-Kranji Railway runs parallel with the main road, reports the *Singapore Free Press*. Mr. Loveridge had granite quarries there, and in the course of working these came across the tin. Of the existence of the karang there can be no doubt, for yesterday (4th inst.) morning 13 bags were brought into town and despatched to the Straits Trading Co.'s smelting works at Pulau Brani. It is estimated to be 73 per cent. an excellent quality, but this has yet to be verified. We have seen the samples first washed out from the land, a morning's panning which shows a small bagful of nice clean looking stuff. Some of the picked crystals from the larger consignment are very fine, and show but little signs of being waterworn. This would seem to indicate that the source of the crystals is not far distant, and an expectation is formed of the lode being somewhere up the hill. The alluvial is found at present quite close to the surface of the ground, and experts believe that it extends right down to the railway embankment and probably under it. Further prospecting and boring will be necessary to prove this, but Mr. Dykes, Warden of Mines, F. M. S., who visited the place with Mr. Farrer, the Collector of Land Revenue, went so far as to give advice on the method of opening up, which seems to indicate that he thinks favourably of the place.

Mr. Loveridge has formed a private syndicate to work the tin, and proposes to push steadily on with the work of proving. The Mandai Tin Syndicate is the name of the concern. If present indications continue there is a bright prospect for the syndicate and for Singapore. The average produced is three-quarters of a pikul of ore per man per month. This includes clearing and prospecting work and is quite good enough to go on with. We congratulate Mr. Loveridge, and hope that the tin showing at Bukit Mandai merely represents a small part of what exists in Singapore.

LURKING DEATH.

A GRAVE WARNING AS TO THE DANGER IN CHEESE.

Discoveries of a more or less alarming nature are continually on the tapis, calculated to prevent mere mortals finding an extravagant enjoyment in the pleasures of the table.

The latest terrifying discovery has been made by the *Lancet*, it being suggested in this grave medical journal that danger lurks in the cheese.

Seven cases of poisoning are recorded by Mr. W. B. Evans, M.B., who attributes the danger to tyrotoxicon, an alkaloid ptomaine found in new cheese. For the comfort of cheese-lovers, it may be mentioned that none of the seven cases proved fatal, and Mr. Evans assures us that, apart from its indigestibility, cheese seldom gives rise to serious trouble.

The ill-effects would seem to have been more serious in the case of young people than adults, and the particular variety which caused the damage is said to have been of a crumbly appearance with "a rather strong smell." It was not discoloured or offensive, and was supposed to be "new," and there was no reason to suppose that it was unwholesome.

Intimation.

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TONIC, RESTORATIVE, DIGESTIVE WINE

Very palatable.

Known throughout the world and prescribed in all cases of Anæmia, Debility and Convalescence, to young women, children and the aged. Invaluable in hot climates.

DOSE: One wine-glass after the two principal meals.

Each bottle of genuine VIN SAINT-RAPHAEL *bears, in addition to the registered trade-mark:*

(1) The WARRANTY STAMP of the UNION DES FABRICANTS.
(2) A METAL SEAL advertising CLETEAS.

CLETEAS *is a* MELISSA *and* MINT *cordial which surpasses all others by its purety and faultless preparation. To be taken on a lump of sugar.*

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N.B.—The attention of the Public is drawn to this opportunity of purchasing valuable works of art, which are the finest that have ever been offered for sale in this Colony.

Catalogues on application.

G. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1908. [1078

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW, the 19th December, 1908, at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux Road, corner of Ice House Street,

A QUANTITY OF SILVER, ELECTRO-PLATED AND GLASS WARE.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1908. [1084

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 21st and 22nd December, 1908, at 10 A.M., at H.M. Naval Establishments,

SUNDRY OLD and SURPLUS NAVAL and VICTUALLING STORES,

Comprising:—

OLD and SURPLUS NAVAL STORES:—Iron Blocks, Hoses, Lamps and Lanterns, Tools, Old Iron and Metal, Electric Cables, Old Boiler, Steam Hammer, Coal Sacks, Canvas Rags, Old India-Rubber, Old Leathers, Carpets, Mattings, Old Boats, Furniture, &c.

OLD and SURPLUS VICTUALLING STORES:—Provisions, Seamen's Clothing, Blankets, Officer's Mess Traps, (A quantity of Electro-plated Articles), Implements, Seamen's Mess Utensils, Oak Staves, &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1908. [1036

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW, the 19th December, 1908, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux Road, corner of Ice House Street,

A QUANTITY OF MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES, Comprising:—

SEXTANTS, BINOCULARS, TELESCOPES, BILLIARD BALLS, DRAWING INSTRUMENTS, FLUTES, CLARIONETTES, CLOCKS, CAMERAS, DRESSING CASES, SUIT CLOTHES, UMBRELLAS, MACINTOSHES, DENTAL INSTRUMENTS, ELECTRICAL BATTERIES, SUNDRY JEWELRY;

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AND

ONE 18-K. GOLD CHRONOMETER WATCH by Sewell, Liverpool.

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TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, 16th December, 1908. [1085

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HAIR DRESSING SALOON.

HAS ALWAYS ON HAND

CIGARS, CIGARETTES AND TOILET REQUISITES FOR SALE.

12, D'AGUILAR STREET,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1908. [85

Consignees.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship "BARCELONA," Captain Porzelius, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1908. [1081

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLEDI," FROM MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 28th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 14 h December, 1908. [1073

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "PRINZ WALDEMAR," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 19th of December, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th of December, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 23rd of December, 1908, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
MELCHERS & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1908. [8

Intimations.

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic feet of COLD STORAGE available at EAST POINT. Stores will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

WM. PARLANE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1908. [18

THERAPION MAY NOW ALSO BE OBTAINED IN DRAGEE (TASTELESS) FORM.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY

TRADE THERAPION MARK

This successful and highly popular remedy, used in the Continental Hospitals by Ricord, Rostan, Jobert, Velpeau and others, combines all the desiderata to be sought in a medicine of the kind, and surpasses everything hitherto employed.

THERAPION No. 1 is a remarkably short time, often a few days only, removes all discharges, effectually superseding injections, the use of which does irreparable harm by laying the foundation of stricture and other serious diseases. In dysentery, piles, irritation of the lower bowel, cough, bronchitis, asthma, and some of the more trying complaints of this kind, it will be found astonishingly efficacious, affording prompt relief where other well-tried remedies have been powerless.

THERAPION No. 2 for impurity of blood, scurvy, pimples, spots, blotches, pains and swelling of joints, secondary symptoms, gout, rheumatism, and all diseases for which it has been too much a fashion to employ mercury, sarsaparilla, &c., to the destruction of sufferers' teeth and ruin of health. This preparation purifies the whole system through the blood, and thoroughly eliminates all poisonous matter from the body.

THERAPION No. 3 for exhaustion, sleeplessness, and all distressing consequences of dissipation, worry, overwork, early error, excess, &c. It possesses surprising power in restoring strength and vigour to those suffering from prevailing influences of living residents in hot, unhealthy climates.

THERAPION is sold by principal Chemists throughout the world. Price in England, 2/3 per packet. In ordering, state which of the three numbers required, and observe above Trade Mark, which is a fac-simile of the word "THERAPION" as it appears on British Government Stamp (in white letters on a red ground) affixed to every package by order of His Majesty's Home Commissioners, the without which it is a forgery.

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Intimations.

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The following are highly recommended, and are very suitable for presents:—

Ideal Perfume, Fleurs D'Amour, Bouquet des Amours, Indian Hay, 4711 Eau de Cologne, Farina's Original Genuine Eau de Cologne, Peau d'Espagne, Trefle Incarnate, Azurea, Camia, &c., &c.

YE OLDE ENGLISH LAVENDER WATER (In Elegant Bottles).

Safranor, Vera Violetta, Coeur de Jeannette, Mes Delices, Violet Merveille, Floramyl.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1908. 4173

NOTICE.

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MARRIAGE.

On December 12, 1908, at Shanghai, AMY, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Hoyle of Pleasant View, Todmorden, Yorks, to GEORGE W. MERRISON, Sub-Inspector, Municipal Police, Shanghai. No Cards.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1908.

THE PEAK TRAMWAY BILL.

After innumerable delays and adjournments, the private bill which has been promoted with the object of obtaining power to construct an additional cable tramway to the Peak came before the Legislative Council yesterday on the motion to go into Committee on the second reading. It is now nearly five years since a general outline of the tramway scheme was laid before the public through the columns of the *Telegraph*. Much water has passed beneath the bridges since that time, and the original plans have been amended practically beyond recognition. We have no occasion to enter into the controversial matters which arose in connection with the acquisition of the line projected by Mr. Findlay Smith—who has proudly related how he travelled through Europe and America in order to gain experience of the working of similar tramways abroad—but from its very inception the scheme has been the cause of violent ruptures and sharp conflicts of opinion. It is not denied that a second tramway to the Peak threading its course through an area eminently suitable for residential purposes and at present remaining untouched owing to the difficulty of access, would prove an undoubted public convenience. But, somehow, the proposal has been beset with troubles and it is only now that it has reached the stage when the question of the Legislative Council to proceed with the work is considered necessary. That may mean one of two things: that the construction of the line is to begin forthwith or that the promoters are taking steps to safeguard their rights. Let us assume that the former is the reason for bringing the matter to a head before the Council at this time. There can be no question as to the willingness of the Council to adopt the general principle of the Bill. It is a popular measure in itself, even if the result of its operations does not affect more than a fractional section of the community. It is popular because it will tend to relieve the congestion along the levels immediately above the central district, and possibly enable the middle-class section of a middle class Colony to participate in some of the minor privileges enjoyed by the taipans and their satellites. The principal question that has now to be decided is the route. Two schemes have been framed—there may have been others and it is not at all outside the bounds of possibility that the final plan submitted to the Legislative Council may have to undergo alteration—and both of these routes have aroused keen opposition. The first involved an esthetic consideration, in as much as the amenities of the public gardens were threatened; while the second is objected to because of the proximity of the line to the Roman Catholic Cathedral and a number of dwelling-houses in Glenealy. Obviously if the route is to pass along the Glenealy valley, and no other way seems feasible if the tramway is to tap a most desirable area, either one or other of these objections will have to be disregarded. The Roman Catholic authorities in Hongkong presented a petition against the plan submitted for the sanction of the Legislative Council on two grounds: that the continual rattle and pounding of passing cars would disturb the devotions of worshippers at the Cathedral and distract the attention of those engaged in religious observances; and, second, that the line would be so situated that the privacy of those living in houses contiguous to the route would be shattered. With regard to the spoliation of the public gardens, which it is alleged would result were the first plan to be adopted, it has always tickled our curiosity to know who those persons are who appreciate so highly the beauties and scenic features of the gardens. It cannot be the amahs who lead their charges to this delectable spot; it is hardly likely to be the Chinese who have a "garden" of their own—principally made up of paving stones—in the Western district; it certainly is not the business men of Hongkong, and the people at the Peak look with disdain and contempt on the display of trees and shrubs. Can it be the tourists, then, who view with alarm and disfavour any scheme which would detract from the glory of the gardens? If so, Hongkong as a tourist resort is a new feature in our limited experience. But from all the signs, the tourists may keep their minds easy, for the original plan which aimed at interference with the public gardens is declared to involve engineering difficulties which render it an impossible proposition. The other route, that suggested as the one to be adopted, is anathematised by 7,000 churchgoers; more or less. We are afraid, however, their objections will be over-ruled for, as His Excellency the Governor hinted yesterday, public utility must take precedence of private interests, and it is scarcely to be credited that the noise of a tramcar passing at a distance of 240 feet will seriously disturb the meditations of the devout. The argument that the houses adjacent to the line will be rendered uninhabitable, because the tramway passengers will inevitably seek to find out what is going on in the bedrooms is more to the point, but it also will have to go by the board. What would have happened if the House of Commons had listened to the appeals of those who sought to preserve their idyllic privacy when railway schemes for the opening up of industrial centres in Great Britain were under consideration? As for America, the elevated railroads in many cases pass so close to the houses that a passenger could comfortably shake hands with a friendly tenant. Yet the residents in these houses which are open to the view of millions annually do not seem to experience great discomfort owing to the publicity which has come upon them uncourted. Counsel for the petitioners asserted that it would be impracticable for the occupants of houses in Glenealy to remain secluded during the summer months, because the windows of the houses situated there would have to remain open. How do the people in New York, where the summer heat is ten to twenty degrees higher than it ever is in Hongkong, manage to avert the public gaze? Not that we do not sympathise with those who have to bear in mind the fact that if they open their curtains to admit the friendly breeze they also invite the cold eye of impersonal criticism, but when the interests of hundreds are pitted against the qualms of a score then the latter must necessarily give way. So that, as far as we can see, the Council will be compelled however reluctantly to ignore the objections to the 3rd clause of the Bill, defining the route, unless, of course, some genius evolves a practicable scheme which involves none of the difficulties enumerated. The Bill is a non-party one and for once the official members of the Council are to be, to quote the Governor, "able to vote upon it entirely unfettered." Meanwhile the discussion has been adjourned in order that members may have an opportunity of finding out current opinion on the subject. Seeing that the scheme has been before the public in all its aspects for years it is strange if current opinion has not crystallised long ago, but we have become so accustomed to delays in connection with the measure that a week or two here or there is not of great importance. The chief point is that the Bill has reached the crucial stage, and once that is passed it will be entered on the statute book as a matter of course, and we may then look forward to the inauguration of the work of constructing the new line to the Peak.

BREAKING THE FETTERS.

Significant seems to be the appropriate term to apply to the expression used by His Excellency the Governor at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council when speaking on the Tramway Bill. His Excellency said: "As this is a private bill and has been much altered since it passed its second reading all members of the Council will be able to vote upon it entirely unfettered, and to give their own personal opinion as to whether or not it should be carried through." As most of the unofficial members are unfettered in so far as the recording of their votes is concerned, it can only be assumed that the remark refers to the votes given by the officials. Of course we all know that the official elements have to side with the Government, and when the unofficials are recalcitrant to swamp them with their preponderating voting power, particularly in matters finance, but we wonder how often an official is found sufficiently daring to express an opinion opposite to the declared views of His Excellency the Governor and the Colonial Secretary? We might safely say that a *rara avis* does not exist in Hongkong especially after what has happened in connection with the Bill for the amendment of the Magistrates Ordinance. In the discussion on this Bill the question arose as to the expediency of giving the Governor-in-Council power to threaten with a loaded gun those members of the community who fail to spit circumspectly. That portion of the Bill is obviously directed against the Chinese although the Colonial Secretary holds that Indians are quite as bad offenders. If there was ever a question where there was likely to be diversity of opinion as to the advisability of allowing the Governor-in-Council power to determine when regulations should be framed with the object of eradicating what is a filthy, but in the case of many Chinese a perfectly unconscious, habit, and where the officials might be allowed a free hand this was one of them. The member representing the Chamber of Commerce—who, at a previous session explicitly stated that he was not representing the views of the Chamber when upholding the proposal to penalise offenders who expectorated at large—shook himself clear of his colleagues and joined forces with the Governor's view. The remainder of the unofficials voted solidly against the amendment moved by Dr. Ho Kai that this part of the Bill be struck out altogether and made the subject of distinct legislation afterwards. Not one of the official members could see any reason to support the views of men like Mr. Slade, Mr. Gresson, Mr. Pollock, Mr. Wei Yuk and Dr. Ho Kai who are brought into direct contact with the Chinese daily. Was it a coincidence that they all saw the matter in the same light as the Governor and the Colonial Secretary? Had the Captain Superintendent of Police and the Registrar General nothing to advance against the Government proposal? Or were they, so to speak, fettered and tongue-tied? Seeing that the officials have been plainly informed that in voting on the Tramway Bill they are to consider themselves free agents might it not be well if the Governor in future explained to the Council generally when the officials had been instructed to vote with the Government and when the fetters were temporarily removed? Such a course would save a great expenditure of time, thought, and vocal energy. If the unofficials knew in advance that despite all their burning of the midnight oil, all their oratory and arguments, they were bound to be outvoted because the officials had been brought to heel and ordered to obey instructions, then the business of the Council could be transacted in a few minutes. What can be the feelings of the official members, however, when they realise that their services are only required as supers in a parlequinade? The position may be flattering to the vacuous puppet; it can only be exasperating to the brainy man, unless of course he is gifted with the saving grace of humour, in which case it is better than a farce.

SIKH WATCHMEN.

Little has been heard in Hongkong of late of the vagrant Sikhs who make the Colony a happy hunting ground. Probably that is not due to any marked reformation in the character of those Indians who have no settled occupation in the Colony but rather to their recognition of the wisdom of lying low, in order that their besmirched characters may be temporarily renovated. Even the money lenders have not been so prominent, owing, perhaps, to the salutary advice given by the Bench to those usurers of Indian origin. We do not for a moment believe, however, that the watchmen are in any respect more watchful than they were in the past or that the money lenders have taken themselves and their rapacious maws to other haunts. The former still drone and doze away the stilly nights, while the latter put the screw on the unfortunate victims who fall into their hands in more scientific fashion. If the truth were told, it would probably be found that half the more important burglaries recorded in the police annals of Hongkong are due to the known lethargy of the Sikh watchmen, when they are not directly traceable to their connivance and instigation. As for the puppets who borrow money at exorbitant rates of interest from the thrifty Indians they still abound and suffer the fate of those who deliberately walk into the meshes of insolvency and degradation. In Shanghai, the evils which spring from the malpractices of alleged Sikh watchmen have long been noted and consideration has been given to the possibility of dealing with them. That there are watchmen who attend to their duties with all the vigilance which they would devote to the preservation of their own property is probably quite true, but unless report lies they must be in the minority. Now steps have been taken to weed out the Indian undesirables in the Northern Settlement, and perhaps Hongkong may follow the example set forth. In a report to the Shanghai Municipal Council, the Captain Superintendent of Police warns the public against the promiscuous employment of Sikhs as watchmen. He states that there are many Sikhs loafing about the Settlement who are not in any way suitable for employment as watchmen, and that it is disheartening for the police to find Sikhs who have been dismissed from the force for continued drunkenness and misbehaviour obtaining employment as watchmen a few weeks after dismissal. In order to protect the public the Assistant Superintendent for Indians keeps a register of all Indian watchmen who are employed through him. The names of these men on the register are also furnished to the Police Station in the district, where they are employed. Such watchmen are visited every two hours whilst on duty, by either a foreign policeman or an Indian police sergeant, who require the watchman to sign the book at each visit, and this book is checked every month at the police station. This system has been inaugurated at the request of several residents and adds considerably to the work of the police. It has been made necessary by the large number of unemployed and shiftless Sikhs who are found in the Settlements. We are not sure, says the *Shanghai Times*, that these men deserve as much attention as the Captain Superintendent of Police proposes to bestow upon them. If it were possible to deport them and prevent their return to Shanghai, the community would be much benefited; but if this is impossible, we know no better system than that which has been devised. It is to be hoped that all residents who employ Sikhs as watchmen will adopt the present system. It will be noted by the Hongkong authorities that the work of attending to the watchmen and registering them at the Police Station adds considerably to the work of the police, but that does not mean to say it implies an increase in the number of those on the police force. Indeed, it would only be a sort of relaxation for the sergeants on night duty to see that the watchmen were awake, although we do not suppose that they would regard the system from exactly the same point of view. At the same time, if the scheme is workable in Shanghai there is no reason why it should not be tried in Hongkong for a change.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

WE are informed that the Baseball Match will take place rain or fine to-morrow.

FOR stealing two leather belt laces, the property of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, yesterday, a Chinese employé, was, to-day, sentenced to a month's hard labour, in the Police Court.

SENTENCE of fourteen days' hard labour was passed upon an Indian cook, Hasan Bendrahim, in the Police Court, to-day, for stealing two bottles of milk from a delivery cart at Yaumati early this morning.

IT has been decided to form a Special Bodyguard of forty gentlemen for Prince Chun, during his Regency, twenty of whom will be officers of the Army appointed by the Ministry of War and twenty of higher officers of the Gendarmerie Corps appointed by the Ministry of the Interior.

IT is stated from Peking that the Central Government has received information from South that Sun Yat-sen, also known as Sun Wen, the reputed leader of the anti-monarchists, is now in Siam with a band of some eighty followers, and that he is contemplating a descent into Chinese territory in the future.

ON the afternoon of the 4th instant the ceremony of opening the new wet dock of the Yokohama Dock Company was held in presence of a large concourse of people and with great éclat. The new dock is 180 feet in breadth and 700 in length and is capable of accommodating two steamers of 6,000 tons each and one of 4,000 tons at the same time.

RACING GOSSIP.

[By Our Own Contributor.]

Evidently this is the time of the year when racing forms a leading topic of conversation among the gentry of our little island. I have heard it talked in hotels, in clubs, at street corners, and even in the churches, until, I am shocked to say, it is getting somewhat tiresome. But that is not all, by any way. Almost every day I am asked to solve problems which would bring tears into anyone's eyes. For instance, last week a kind friend interrogated—"Do you think, old chap, that the 'Brilliant One' will win the Derby? If he does don't you think there will be something doing?" I confessed that I did not know any person of that name—and walked on.

Last night I was the very interested listener to a conversation having reference to a most deplorable incident which occurred at Sandown last month. A jockey, by name Hare, who had won the Chertsey Selling Steeple-chase on the evergreen old Adansi, who is apparently invincible over the course, had, on returning to the paddock, to answer the charge of foul riding and of assaulting Water Bulteel in the course of the race by hitting him over the hand with the butt-end of his whip. The Stewards suspended Hare for the remainder of the day, and reported the case to the Stewards of the National Hunt Committee. In addition, Hare and A. Anthony were reported by the starter for disobedience at the post, and were each fined £5. O'Brien, after finishing second on Sintram to Dafila, was called before the Stewards to explain why he had not kept his horse straight from the flight of hurdles instead of letting him bore on to Dafila, and carry that horse half-way across the course. Had Sintram won he would certainly have been disqualified. O'Brien was cautioned as to his riding in future.

But to return nearer home. The Foochow race meeting which has just concluded seemed to have been a gala affair from all accounts. Heraldic, owned by Ewo, proved himself the best horse by far, having won four races. The second pony, Capital, Captain Hope owner, came next with three, while the same gentleman's Marvellous was responsible for two first places. Father O'Flynn's Kirby and Mr. Min's Piper captured two events each.

It will be interesting to learn that Heraldic, Gamechick, the winner of the first race of the meeting, Kirby, Mohawk Chief and perhaps Capital are expected in Hongkong at no distant date to take part in the races, and it is to be hoped that the first named animal will keep up the reputation already made at Foochow.

A word or two should not be out of place concerning the subscription griffins. They are all looking well with what training they are at present undergoing. So far no galloping work has been done, and will not be for about three weeks.

Mr. C. H. Ross's pony still stands out well among the bunch. Mr. J. A. Jupp's long looking grey appears to be a fast one and his lengthiness should be useful to him when the time arrives. Rubber Tree is in good trim and could be placed before the flag to-morrow, as are Coxcomb and Earthquake. Mr. W. J. Gresson and Mr. Anton have also been lucky drawers, and possess fine looking beasts, maybe the best of the lot. Out of the four drawn by Mr. H. N. Mody only one exhibits anything like racing form. The Buffs have drawn some good ponies, but they have not been seen on the track as yet.

A week ago three Derby griffins were landed, consigned to Mr. G. Friesland. These ponies have shown good points, and if that alone were needed they should come out well.

On Christmas Day a number of old ponies, perhaps about twenty, are expected here from the North. Most of the ponies are so well-known to Hongkong sportsmen that it is useless to say furthermore.

RIDING BOY.

CRIMINAL CALENDAR.

SERIOUS OFFENCES FOR THE DECEMBER CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

The following is the calendar containing the number of cases to be taken during the present sessions:—

(1)—Si Tsan and Kwan King:—Larceny and receiving stolen goods.

(2)—Kwok Leung, Li Shek Shun and Hung Loi:—Murder.

(3)—Chan To, Tse Yau and Li Kai:—Robbery.

(3a)—Li Kai:—Wounding.

(4)—Chu Yuen Fuk:—Murder.

The fourth case on the list was opened to-day. We are requested to remind jurors that they are required at the Supreme Court on Monday morning.

SCHOOL BOYS' "CHOW" BILL.

THE PUISNE JUDGE'S CONCLUSION.

In the Supreme Court, this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, the action brought against Man Yeung Chi, a widow, residing at *106, Hollywood Road, by Mok Loi Pan, a* compradore, of 23 and 25, Gage Street, to recover $1,212, the amount alleged to be due to plaintiff by the defendant's husband, Man Iu (deceased) for feeding his three sons, came to a conclusion. It will be remembered that the plaintiff, who is in the employ of Abdullali and Ebrahim, undertook a year or two ago to keep the three sons of the deceased, who was in his employ. The price deceased agreed to pay was $20. In the meantime Man Iu died, and plaintiff held a promissory note from him for the amount. Judgment was given for the plaintiff for the full amount and costs.

LUI HOI, an unemployed, was given six weeks' imprisonment to-day for attempting to pick Mr. J. G. Aquino's pocket in Queen's Road yesterday.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

REUTER BROCKELMANN'S COMPRADORE'S ACTION.

The action brought by Mr. O. D. Thomson, a solicitor, against Mok Iu Tong, *alias* Yee On Tong, a compradore in the employ of Messrs. Reuter Brockelmann & Co., to recover the sum of $950.63 for professional services rendered on behalf of the defendant some two years ago, being balance due after receiving $1,300, which was the original agreement between the two parties, was concluded in the Supreme Court, this morning. Mr. Justice Gompertz found for the plaintiff and entered judgment for $402 and costs.

Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. H. G. C. Bailey, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, represented the defendant.

THE CHEUNG-SHA-WAN TRAGEDY.

ALLEGED MURDERER BEFORE A JURY.

Chu Yuen Fuk, the alleged murderer of Choi Yuen, who met his death at Cheung-sha-wan some time last month, stood for his trial at the Criminal Sessions, which opened this morning—the Chief Justice presiding.

The Attorney-General (Mr. W. Reef Davies, K.C.) with whom was Mr. Dennys (of the Crown Solicitor's office) appeared for the Crown, while Mr. R. E. Bellios, instructed by Mr. Leo. d'Almada e Castro, was for the defence.

The jury empanelled was as follows:—Messrs. T. P. Hall (foreman), H. Reeves, H. T. Richardson, J. P. Ulderup, D. A. Purvis, H. Gittins and F. Ellis.

The alleged facts of the case were outlined to the jury by the Attorney-General. He said that the deceased man lived at Cheung-sha-wan. The murder took place on the 27th November. The prisoner and the deceased lived together in an un-numbered house, and the murder was the result of a quarrel. The principal witness in the case would state that he had a habit of going to this house. On the afternoon of the 25th ulto. he went to the house and while there a dispute arose between the prisoner and the deceased over the sum of one dollar and fifty cents, which the deceased alleged prisoner had stolen. The two men quarrelled and fought. At that time it was not suggested that any knives were used. The next morning, at about 9.30 o'clock, the prisoner returned to the house and found deceased sitting up in bed. They quarrelled again over the money and they were still at it when the witness called. He saw the prisoner produce a knife. The deceased man ran out of the house. The prisoner pursued him, the witness following, and he saw the prisoner caught deceased by the queue and stabbed him. It appeared that deceased held on to prisoner's queue and called "Save life." The witness ran up and seized prisoner, taking away the knife from him, and he also called for assistance. Shortly after a man came up with a rope and between them they bound the prisoner and took back deceased to the house. This story, the Attorney-General pursued, would be corroborated by a woman.

The only question the jury had to decide was whether it was murder or manslaughter. As the evidence read the prisoner inflicted the wound, and it was for them to say whether there was malice aforethought.

Evidence was then called.

Dr. Harold Macfarlane, officer in charge of the Kowloon mortuary, gave an account of the numerous stab wounds he found on deceased's body at the *post mortem* examination he held. There was an inch wound at the base of the back of the neck on the left hand side, extending down for an inch; an inch cut on the outer side of the left elbow into the muscle; another inch cut on the lower part of the left shoulder blade; three long bruises on the other side of the right forearm; a bruise an inch long on the upper part of the right shoulder blade; two coils of the intestines protruded below the lower left part of the abdomen, covering about six inches in diameter. On putting the intestines back an inch and a quarter cut through the abdominal wall showed. The stab perforated the intestines and cut blood vessels and a large hæmorrhage along the abdominal wall was torn. The heart was not exactly empty; the lungs were dry and bloodless. Death, in the doctor's opinion, was due to hæmorrhage. A knife, commonly used by the Chinese, for slaughtering pigs was given to the doctor and he was of opinion that the wounds were caused by it. The weapon was about five inches long, the middle of the blade measuring some three inches wide.

The next witness was Mr. Wright, assistant engineer of the Public Works Department, who produced the plan of the scene of the tragedy. He was followed by the "star" witness, who gave a detailed account of the trouble leading to the man's death.

In the afternoon Counsel for the defence raised an objection to the way the prisoner's statement was taken down when he was arrested. He said that the statement was not certified by a sworn translator and consequently its English version could not be read to the jury.

The Chief Justice maintained that the objection was a sound one, and instructed the Attorney-General to have the statement certified by the Court translator.

The hearing was adjourned until to-morrow.

THE Sanitary Board may well pride itself on the fact that that august body has been the object of much attention of late. The Press have had their say in the Board's deliberations, the A. D. C. has had its little (wit) at the expense of Hongkong's most sportsmanlike department and now we observe that the Board's cry for cats has even reached Bombay. One of the journals there has the following in a prominent position:—"The Sanitary Board of Hongkong has lately been endeavouring to get at the root of the plague question. The last move is to advise that every household in the Colony shall keep a cat."

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ITALY AND CHINA.

PROPOSED CONSULATE AT MENGTSZ.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 17th December.

The Italian Minister in Peking has forwarded a communication to the Waiwupu asking to be allowed to establish an Italian consulate at Mengtsz.

PRINCE REGENT'S RESIDENCE.

PARSIMONY IN EXECUTING REPAIRS.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 17th December.

The Prince Regent has instructed Chang Pik and others, who had received orders to repair his residence, to exercise strict economy and not spend too much money.

[Reuter's.]

Issue of South Manchurian Railway Bonds.

LONDON, 16th December.

The *Standard* states that £2,000,000, bonds of the Manchurian railway, bearing 5 % interest, will be issued shortly.

The issue to be guaranteed by the Japanese Government.

Banquet to Sir Robert Hart.

The London Chamber of Commerce has given a banquet to Sir Robert Hart, at which Sir Robert predicted a great future for China and said that he believed the Regent would carry on the work of progress.

Mr. Mackinnon Wood said that China must rejoice in the Japan-American agreement, which was a guarantee of peace and the open door.

Later.

The Panama Canal.

President Roosevelt in a special Message to Congress denounces, in the most vehement manner, the allegations of corruption and acquisition re the Panama Canal as infamous libels upon the individual officials and the Government.

The real offender is Mr. Pulitzer, the editor of the *World*.

It is therefore the high national duty to bring to justice this wicked villifier of the American people.

The South Manchurian Railway Loan.

The South Manchurian Railway Loan has been issued at £97.10, and is now quoted at 1 premium.

THE WHITE HORSE TROPHY COMPETITION.

KING'S PARK RANGE.

The match between the Association's team and the Hongkong Volunteer Corps team arranged for Saturday, 19th instant, has been postponed until Sunday, 20th instant, at 10 a.m.

There will therefore be a practice shoot on Saturday afternoon at 2 o. 500 and 600 yards ranges commencing at 2 p.m. The 200 yards range closes at 3 p.m.

The team chosen to represent the Association is as follows:—J. C. Gow, A. Jenkins, J. H. Pidgeon, J. Marshall, S. E. Green, L. G. Bird, R. Baker, C. Bond, A. Thornhill, W. L. Leask; Reserves: Capt. B. Branch and W. J. J. Gast.

It is stated the Prince Regent intends to bestow special medals and rewards upon dealers in opium, prepared and in the crude who will close their business within the first month of the next Chinese New Year (January-February, 1909) while those who will stop planting the poppy, and begin the cultivation of grain next year will be exempted from paying land taxes for the space of five years. *Apropos* H.E. Ko Tang-chih, the Director General of the Department for the collection of duty on native opium, reports that the revenue on the drug for the Autumn Quarter has now fallen off over Tls. [illegible]

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

A VICEROY'S TRIP.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 16th December.

H.E. Viceroy Chang Jen Chun has for several times been most anxious to make a tour of inspection of the West River after the visitation of the disastrous floods in June last but has not yet been able to do so owing to exigencies of official business. It is now reported that H.E. Chang has renewed his intention for the trip and has arranged to carry it out shortly with Admiral Li Chun to accompany him.

AN OFFICIAL'S DISGRACE.

As a result of his assaulting the officer in charge of the Wing Chun Magazine while inspecting it, the Brigadier-General of Kwang chow, Wu Ling Sun, has been severely reprimanded by the High Authorities and furthermore he is now about to be removed from his position.

A SHOCKING ACCIDENT.

Railway accidents have been frequently occurring on the Canton-Fatshan line. On the 12th instant, another fatal accident took place. Yesterday, at 10 a.m. a train going to Fatshan from Shek Wai Tong knocked down a man of about fifty years of age in the vicinity of the Three-Eye Bridge, where the unfortunate man attempted to cross the track when the train was fast approaching. The man was killed instantaneously, his body being cut into three parts.

CANTON PROVINCIAL JUDGE.

The newly appointed Canton Provincial Judge, Wei King Tung, will take over the seal of office on the 16th instant.

UNLAWFUL EXPORTATION OF RICE.

The Self-Government Society convened a meeting to-day to discuss matters in connection with the suppression of the exportation of native rice by lawless subjects, as well as the *Fatshan* incident.

17th December.

FORMER KOREAN JUDGE IN CANTON.

Chuan Ping Fun, a Korean, formerly a Judge in that country, arrived here a fortnight ago on a visit to this city. He called on the Viceroy yesterday to take his leave and the latter gave him a present of one hundred dollars.

ACTING PROVINCIAL JUDGE.

The Viceroy has instructed the present acting Provincial Judge, Cheung Shik Fun, to return to Shiu Hing to resume his duties as Taotai of Shiu Hing and Lo-Ting as soon as he has handed over the seal of office to the newly-appointed provincial judge, Wai King Tung, on the 19th instant.

THE "FATSHAN" INCIDENT.

At the meeting held yesterday by the members of the Self-government Society in connection with the *Fatshan* incident, it was decided that the re-hearing of this case is to be held at the Portuguese Consulate, and if the result proves unsatisfactory, steps should be taken to deal with the steamer *Fatshan*. The Self-government Society is now also thinking of writing to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire to ask for the adjustment of the matter.

REVOLUTIONISTS DESPISE AMNESTY.

With reference to the four revolutionists who were arrested and questioned by Admiral Li Chun, they all admitted the charges without the least hesitation or fear. Seeing all of them were promising young men about twenty years of age, both the Admiral and the Provincial Judge dealt leniently with them with a view to exonerate them and tried to induce them to become good citizens. This they refused to do, and said that they could never be made to change their minds, were they even to be put to death. They were all allowed to be seated before the Admiral during the proceedings without torture being resorted to and they appeared to appreciate the Admiral's kindness. After being questioned, they were photographed. Of the four men, Gat Hein and Yin Kwok Fung were yesterday morning, by order of the Viceroy, taken to the execution ground and beheaded. The other two men, who were only accomplices of the former, are now therefore detained in the custody of the Namhoi Magistrate pending further instructions from the Viceroy. It is reported that some forty other persons are said to have been implicated in the case, but Admiral Li Chun preferred to drop the question of making further inquiries, lest serious consequences should ensue.

ANARCHISTS' ARREST.

The Brigadier-General of Ko Chow yesterday wired to Canton reporting that he had arrested two alleged anarchists in his locality and asking for instructions how to deal with them.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Yesterday a woman was fined $5 for producing a permit which was not issued to her, while attempting to buy opium.

DISCHARGING COAL.

CHINESE STEVEDORE SUCCESSFUL.

Judgment for the plaintiff for $706.37 and costs was the decision Mr. Justice Gompertz arrived at to-day, in the action brought by Lau Put Wong, a stevedore, of 18, Albany Street, against Messrs. Wallem and Company, as agents for the steamer *Christian Dan*, to recover $1,278.4, for work done. The plaintiff waived the sum $278.04 so as to bring the matter within the Summary Jurisdiction Court. The claim was for discharging the *Christian Dan* of a cargo of coal, which the plaintiff undertook to do at twenty-seven cents per ton, according to a contract dated June last. There was a balance due after the work had been completed, and although $7,000 had been offered for settlement, it was refused by plaintiff.

Mr. G. E. Morrell of Messrs. Goldring, Bayley and Morrell, appeared for the plaintiff, Mr. H. Paget Hall, of Messrs. Deacon and Hall, for defendant.

TWO DEATHS—AND AFTER.

The long arm of coincidence has been outstretched to synchronise the deaths of the Emperor of China and the Empress Dowager. For the first time in their two lives that strange pair are upon a level with each other; the intellectual abyss between them has been bridged, and subtlety and simplicity neither scheme nor suffer any more. Etiquette prescribes that one should speak of the Imperial nephew before the Imperial and imperious aunt; but concerning the former there is, indeed, very little to be said: 'tis a case of "Fred, who was alive and is dead." Kwang-Hsu was

A MERE PUPPET

in the hands of his formidable relative: he tried conclusions with her once and got distinctly the worst of the encounter, after which his ill-considered, though well-meaning, zeal for reform dwindled away, and the Empress Dowager ran the Empire for him until her policy culminated in the siege of the Legations and the subsequent occupation of Peking by the allied "Barbarians." One turns from that pale shadow of an Imperial career, in the person of the man, to the full flesh and blood of the life-story of the woman. We are not certain who was the unconscious humourist who first described the feminine as the weaker or the gentler sex, though we remember a passage in Tacitus which suggests the Roman historian as the originator of the phrase. But, whoever he may have been, he might have recanted his opinion if he had been privileged to know

HER MAJESTY TSU TSI.

We have all been accustomed to regard the late Queen Victoria as incomparably the greatest woman of the Nineteenth Century; but it is no disloyalty to that venerable name to say that for sheer ability, as distinct from everything else that goes to the making of a great woman—to say nothing of a good woman—Tsu Tsi towered above the rest of her sex as Napoleon towered above his own. There is, indeed, a remarkable parallel between those two. Each of them rose from obscurity to a throne by sheer force of genius; each of them poisessed the most consummate capacity for dominating their fellow-creatures and of making the domination charming; each of them, too, was distinguished by a total absence of what is ordinarily called morality. In that last respect, indeed, Tsu Tsi was

A PERFECT BLUEBEARD IN SKIRTS:

she spread her nets as wide as ever did Catherine of Russia, but none of her innumerable favourites survives to give the world a portrait of his Imperial mistress. All that, however, is in harmony with the rest: it was part of the personality of a woman who was not as other women. And, when all is said and done, Tsu Tsi must have been a *grande charmeuse*: one would have liked to meet her.

With the disappearance of a lady whose career certainly goes far to suggest that the equality of the sexes in political matters is no vain delusion, attention is directed to the future of the country over which for so many years Tsu Tsi exercised a paramount influence. There is no obvious legal

SUCCESSOR TO KWANG-HSU,

for the law of succession to the Imperial Throne of the Manchu dynasty is not settled. Apparently, however, there is to be a Regency during the minority of the infant son of the late Emperor's brother, Prince Chun, who is to discharge the duties of Regent. This personage is a man of ability, who has been intimately in touch with the work of government for years past. That last fact implies that he has associated himself with the policy of the Empress Dowager, and that, for the time being, that policy will be pursued more or less faithfully, by the Regent. What will that policy be, as interpreted by him? Inasmuch as Prince Chun is acquainted with European ideals and methods, and has even visited Europe (he went to Germany to present apologies for the death of the German Minister at Peking), it is reasonable to suppose that he will not develop reactionary tendencies. Even Tsu Tsi, who hated to be reformed, had felt herself compelled to go a certain distance along the path of reformation, and actually carried out some of the measures which her nephew had advocated in the days before she had taught him to understand that he was to reign but not to govern.

THE REGENT,

therefore, is not likely to be blind to the signs of the times, or deaf to the murmur of awakening life which is being heard in the China of to-day, as it is being heard all over Asia; for the schoolmaster of reform is abroad in China as elsewhere. But that is not to say that China is on the eve of any sudden and startling developments. Of all people on the face of the earth the Chinese are, perhaps, the most intensely conservative and the hardest to move. Hitherto the internal development of the country has been of the very slowest, a fact which cannot be agreeable to the new Regent, who has proved himself highly favourable to the extension of railways and the growth of commercial exchange with the nations of the West. On the whole, therefore, it is reasonable to assume that, while

NO GREAT POLITICAL CHANGES

are to be expected in the immediate future, there will be no curtailment, but rather an expansion, of the opportunities afforded by the Imperial Government for trade with Europeans and for that gradual infiltration of Western ideas which renders the future evolution of China one of the most fascinating as well as the most perplexing objects of speculation.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

LI Lien-ying, the well-known Chief Eunuch of the Imperial Court and during the life of the late Empress Grand Dowager a veritable power behind the Throne, has now given out that as soon as his twenty-seven months of mourning for their late Imperial Majesties have expired he will shave off his hair, become a Buddhist priest and spend the rest of his days in praying for the soul of his Imperial Mistress and its speedy transmigration into the body of some well-born infant of this World. It is reported that Li Lien-ying is worth something like ten million taels.

COMMERCIAL.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Reviewing the share business for the week, Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie & Co. write this afternoon:—

Business has ruled dull, and the week has been devoid of any special features, with but few changes to report.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have weakened to $845 at which rate they are on offer. The London quotations remains the same, viz.: £82.

Marine Insurances—Cantons are wanted at $195. North Chinas have further strengthened to Tls. 105. Unions have sellers at $840.

Fire Insurances.—China Fires have found buyers at $106, closing firm, and in further request at $107. Hongkong Fires are out of favour at $325.

Shipping.—There are no changes in stocks under this heading, with the exception of Shell Transports which have declined to 47/-.

Refineries.—China Sugars are steady at $121 1/2, and Luzons are still offering at $20.

Mining.—Raubs have weakened and are quoted $9. Chinese Engineerings have advanced to Tls. 171/4, with buyers.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Shanghai Docks have declined to Tls. 721/2, but are in demand at the rate. Sales of Hongkew Wharfs have been effected at the reduced rate of Tls. 135. Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are neglected, and are obtainable at $91. while Kowloon Wharfs are offering at $43.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Hotels have buyers at $80. Hongkong Lands can be had at $92, and Humphreys Estates at $9 1/2. Shanghai Lands have improved to Tls 119 at which rate they have been sold in the north.

Cotton Mills.—Ewos continue to advance, and are inquired for at Tls. 75 ex the dividend of Tls. 5 paid on the 15th inst. Hongkong Cottons are weak at $10.

Miscellaneous.—China Provident can be placed at $5 1/2. Green Island Cements have sellers at $10. Watsons have improved to $9 1/2 and are wanted. Langkats are easier, and obtainable at Tls. 8½ ex the dividend and bonus of Tls. 20 paid on the 15th inst. Sumatras are in demand at Tls. 127 1/2. Ices have declined to $225 with sellers.

Exchange.—The Bank's selling rate on London is 1/8 1/2 on demand. The T./T. rate on Shanghai is 75 1/2.

THE INTERNATIONAL OPIUM CONFERENCE.

The Shanghai Taotai, His Hon. Tsai Nai-huang, has forwarded the recommendations of his legal advisers published in these columns the other day to the Viceroy with the following remarks thereon. With regard to the suggestion that the Viceroy should appoint him as his representative at the Conference he says that he entirely agrees with it. As to the recommendation that China should have five representatives at the Conference, the same number as England, he submits that it be referred to Peking, for he has, in pursuance of the instructions of the Board of Finance, already appointed deputies to make investigations and will press them for a report if desired and that during the 14 months prior to November 1908, there were 1,461 cases of small native opium and 11,984 cases of large native opium imported into Shanghai as compared with 2,324 and 13,790 respectively during the preceding period of 14 months.—*Shanghai Times.*

CRICKET.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

"A" Team v. Civil Service.

The above match will be played on the Club's ground, to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 2.15 p.m. The "A" team will be represented by the following players:—Messrs. W. C. D. Turner, A. E. Lanning, H. R. Makin, E. A. Fowler, E. C. Oliver, R.N., A. Mackenzie, A. P. Dashwood, E. Irving, W. Waterhouse, Lt. E. J. H. Haughton, and Lt. H. M. Liepmann.

"B" Team v. R.E.

The following will play for the "B" team in the above match to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 2.15 p.m. on the Military ground (Happy Valley):—Messrs. R. Hancock, H. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, H. D. Sharpin, A. O. Lang, S. S. Logan, Walter J. Daniel, F. H. H. Stevens, P. Jacks, F. I. Gelsthorpe and Lt. Sill, The Buffs.

NAVAL YARD FOOTBALL v. LUSITANO RECREATION CLUB.

To-morrow, at 2.30 p.m., on the grounds at Causeway Bay, a league match will be played between the above clubs. The following will represent L. R. C.:—R. C. da Silva, L. G. Cordeiro, A. H. Hyndman, Frank Soares, P. da Roza, J. M. Britto, H. A. Hyndman, I. P. Corveth, J. A. Yvanovich, J. F. Castro, F. H. Hyndman.

CRAIGENGOWER v. R.G.A.

The above match will take place on Saturday at 3.15 p.m., on the ground of the former club. The following will play for Craigengower:—G. A. Hancock (capt.), H. L. Manderson, M. E. Asger, L. A. Rose, A. Osman, J. D. Kinnaird, P. Curry, R. Carvalho, A. Carvalho, A. P. Greaves, and F. Drude.

LEAGUE TABLE.

The following is the League table up to date:—

Club.	P.	W.	L.	D.	P.	Percentage.
H.K.C.C. "B"	4	4	0	0	4	100%
Civil Service	5	4	1	0	3	60%
H.K.C.C. "A"	4	2	1	1	1	33.33%
Telegraphs	4	2	1	1	1	33.33%
Craigengower	7	2	2	3	0	—
R.G.A.	4	1	2	1	—1	—33.33%
Kowloon	4	1	3	0	—2	— 50%
H.K. Police	5	1	4	0	—3	— 60%
Royal Engineers	5	1	4	0	—3	— 60%

N.B.—A win counts 1 point.
A loss " —1 "
A draw " 0 "

To-day's Advertisements.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

NOTICE.

DURING the absence of the VEN. ARCHDEACON BANISTER from the Colony, the Rev. E. T. BARNETT, St. Stephen's College, will be Acting Secretary of the Church Missionary Society.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1908. [1087

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Hongkong, 18th December, 1908. [1086

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th of December, at 9.30 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 28th of December, 1908, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1908. [8

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by

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FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

TO-MORROW,

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1908. [1066

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TIME TABLE.

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9.30 a.m. to	11.00 a.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
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12.45 p.m. to	1.15 p.m.	...Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to	1.45 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to	2.15 p.m.	...Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to	3.00 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
3.30 p.m. to	5.00 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
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9.30 a.m. to	10.30 a.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to	11.00 a.m.	...Every 10 minutes.
11.45 a.m. to	12.00 noon	...Every 15 minutes.
12.00 Noon to	1.00 p.m.	...Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to	5.00 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
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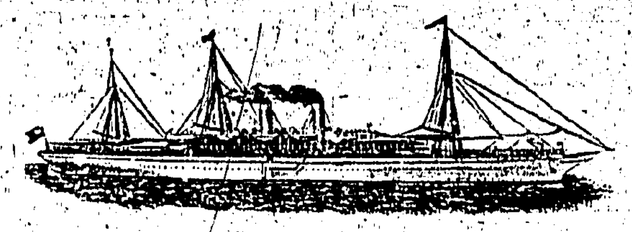

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S'GAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	*NAMSANG**	...TUESDAY, 22nd Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, WEI-HAIWEI, CHEFOO & CHING-WANTAO	*CHEONGSHING*	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Dec., Noon.
MANILA	*VIENSANG**	...THURSDAY, 24th Dec., 4 P.M.
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HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	21st "	10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	21st "	4 P.M.
MANILA	"TAMING"	22nd "	3 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA and USUAL AUSTRALIAN PORTS	"TAIYUAN"	22nd "	4 P.M.
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Hongkong, 18th December, 1908. [15

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1908. [7

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1908. [1072

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1908. [104

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 6th August, 1908. [721

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1908. [804

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BUTCHER MEAT.	Cents.
Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa lb	18
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk "	18
" Roast—Shiu " " "	18
" Breast—Ngau Lam "	13
" Soup, Tong Yuk "	15
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa "	18
" " Sirloin—Ngau Lau "	28
" Sausages,—Ngau Yuk Chaung "	26
Bullock's Brains— " Know..... per set	10
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li..... each	50
" " corned—Ham Ngau Li "	58
" Head—Ngau Tau "	80
" Heart—Ngau Sum.....per lb	12
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin "	18
" Feet—Ngau Keok .....each	7
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu..... "	10
Tail—Ngau Mei "	17
" Liver—Ngau Con lb	12
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To..... "	7
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-keok.....set	$1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kwat lb	22
" Leg—Yeung Pei "	22
" Shoulder—Yeung Shau "	20
Pigs' Chitlings—Chi cheong "	22
" Brains—Chi Know.....per set	2
" Feet—Chi Keok "	11
" Fry—Chi Chak "	25
" Head—Chi Tau "	15
" Heart—Chi Sum.....each	8
" Kidneys—Chi Yiu .....pair	7
" Liver—Chi Kon .....lb	24
Pork, Chop—Chi Pai Kwat "	15
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk "	—
" Leg—Chu Pei "	23
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau "	17
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Keok .....set	50
" Heart—Yeung Sum.....each	6
" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu "	10
" Liver—Yeung Con.....lb	22
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai "	22
Suet Beef—Sang Ngau Yau "	20
" Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau "	24
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk "	20
" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong. "	20

POULTRY.	
Chicken—Kai Chai .....lb	28
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai..... "	28
Ducks—Ap "	20
Doves—Pan Kau .....each	12
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan.....per doz.	35
Fowls, Canton—Kai .....lb	30
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai "	26
Geese—Ngo "	19
Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye. Ngo .....pair	$1.80
Musk Deer—Wong Keng.....each	$1.00
Hare—Tu Chai..... "	65
Partridge—Che Khoo "	60
Pheasant—Shan Kai.....pair	$1.60
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup.....each	25
" Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kup "	23
Quail—Um-Chun "	33
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk .....dozen	75
Snipe—Sa Chui .....each	25
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung ... per lb	60
" Hen— " Na ... "	45
Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sui-ap .....pair	$1.20
Teal, Shanghai, Sui Ap Chai..... "	55
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui Ap .....per pair	90

FISH.	
Barbel—Ka Yu .....lb	8
Bream—Bin Yu..... "	13
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu "	14
Carp—Li Yu "	16
Catfish—Chik Yu "	11
Codfish—Mun Yu..... "	14
Crabs—Hai "	18
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu "	15
Dab—Sa Mang Yu "	13
Dace—Wong Mei Lun "	12
Dog-Fish—Tit Tu Sa "	9
Eels, Congor—Hai Man Yu "	14
" Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu "	14
" Yellow—Wong Sin "	24
Frogs—Tien Kai "	28
Garbupa—Sek Pan "	48
Gudgeon—Pak Kup Yu "	12
Herrings—Tso Pak "	18
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu "	24
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu "	14
Loach—Wu Yu "	25
Lobsters—Lung Ha "	32
Mackerel—Chi Yu "	16
Monk Fish—Mon Yu "	26
Mullet—Chai Yu "	24
Oysters—Sang Hoo "	20
Parrothah—Kai Kung Yu "	15
Perch—Tau Loo "	14
Pike—Fa Paw Poong "	8
Plaice—Pan Yu "	18
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong "	24
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong "	28
Prawns—Ming Ha "	40
Ray—Pei Pa Sa "	9
Rock Fish—Sek Kau Kung "	15
Roach—Chun Yu "	28
Salmon, (Fresh) Sand water—Sha Yau "	28
Turbot—Cho How Yu "	24
Whiting—Ngau Yu Chun "	50

FRUITS.	
Almond—Hung Yan	28
Apples, (California)—Kam San Pin Ko	
" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Ko	33
" Small—Hoi Tong "	
" Custard—Fan Lai Chi.....each	
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Sang Sheng Heung Chiu lb	
" (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu "	6
Chestnuts, Chinese—Foong Lut "	20
Carambola—Yeung Tou "	7
Cocoanuts—Yeh Tsz .....each	10
Grapes—Sin Tai Tsz.....lb	24
Lemons, China—Ning Moong "	6
" Amer.—Kum San Ning Moong "	7
Lichees, Small Stone—Lai Chi Con "	24
" Fresh, Lai Chi "	—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong.....each	6
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Mong "	—
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong "	—
Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz per 100 "	—
Oranges, Tim Chang .....lb	10
" Small—Tai Kut .....catty	—
" Mandarin—Tim Kut "	—
Olives—Pak Lam .....lb	8
Passion Fruit ..... each	—
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li lb	18
" (Canton), Cooking—Sa Li "	14
" (Shanghai)—Sheung Hoi Li "	18
Peanuts,—Fa Sang "	10
Persimmons, Large,—Hung Chie "	—
Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheung Poon Ti Paw-law .....each	6
" 2nd cooking—Chung-tang Paw-law "	6
Plaitains—Tai Chiu .....lb	3
Plums, Swatow—Hung Lai "	—
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau .....each	10
Walnuts, Hop Tou "	12
" Green—Sang Hop Tou "	—
Shanghai Lo Kwat .....lb	10

VEGETABLES, &c.	
Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung Hoi Ah Chi Chauk .....lb	7
Beans, (French) Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tau "	10
Beans, (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Pin Tau "	8
Beans, Sprout—Ah Choi "	4
Beans, Long—Tau Kok "	—
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tau..... each	3
Brinjals, Green—Cheng Yuen Ker "	4
Brinjals, Red—Hung Ker "	4
Brassica—Pak Choi "	4
Bamboo Shoots—Chook Sun "	1
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Ka Choy "	4
Cabbage, Red—Kai Lan Tau .....each	—
Cabbage, (Shanghai)—Yeh Choi "	8
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun "	3
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Choi Fa .....each	28
Cauliflower, Medium size—Cheung Yeh Choi-fa .....each	20
Cauliflower, Small size—Sai Yeh Choi-fa	15
Carrots—Kam Shun "	7
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Choy "	5
Celery, English—Yeung Kan Choi "	5
Celery, White—Pak Yeung Kan Choi...	—
Chillies, Dried—Con Lat Chiu "	12
" Red—Hung Fa "	12
" Green—Cheng Lat Chiu "	12
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Lee Choi Liu	8
Cucumbers—Cheng Kwa "	3
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa "	16
Garlic—Suen Tau "	8
Ginger, young—Sun Tsz Keung "	8
" old—Lo Keung "	6
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan ... lb	20
Indian Corn—Suk Mai .....piece	—
Lettuce—Yeung Sang Choi .....each	1
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai "	6
" Mandarin—Kwei Lum Ma Tai "	6
Musk Melon "	—
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Kho "	—
Onions, Bombay—Yeung Chung Tau ...	8
" Green—Sang Chung "	3
" Shai—Shang Hoi Chung Tau	8
" Japan—Yat Poon " "	—
Okroes—Mo Ker "	8
Parsley, English—Yeung Un Sai .....lb	20
Gradus Pea "	15
Green Peas—Cheng Tau "	—
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu "	3
" Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Shu Tsai "	4
" Japan—Yat Poon Shu Tsai "	—
" American—Fa Ki " "	8
" Foochow—Fuk Chau Shu Tsai	3
" Macao—Oh Moon " "	—
Pumpkin—Toong Kwa "	3
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai .....lb	4
Rhubarb "	—
Shalots—Oda Chung Tau "	8
Spinage (Chinese)—Paw Choi "	4
Spinach—Yin Choi "	4
Tomatoes—Fan Ker "	6
Taros—Wu Tau "	4
Turnips, Pan-ti (Long)—Low Pak "	3
" English—Yeung Low Pak piece	—
Vegetable Marrow—Chit Kwa "	5
Water Cresses—Sai Yeung Choi "	8
" Caltrops—Lan Kok.....lb	—
" Lily Roots—Lin Ngau "	5
Yams—Tai Shu "	3
Sago.....per bundle	—

The prices necessarily vary from day to day, and the Sanitary Board has no power to compel stallholders to sell at the prices quoted.

A. GIBSON,
Secretary, Sanitary Board.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.

London—Bank T.T. 1/8 5/16
Do. demand 1/8 5/16
Do. 4 months' sight 1/8 1/4
France—Bank T.T. 2.11 1/4
America—Bank T.T. 41
Germany—Bank T.T. 1.72
India T.T. 126 1/2
Do. demand 127
Shanghai—Bank T.T. 75 1/2
Singapore—Bank T.T. per H.K. $100 ..... 72 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T. 82 1/2
Java—Bank T.T. 101 1/2

Buying.

4 months' sight L/C. 1/8 1/4
6 months' sight L/C. 1/8 1/4
3 days' sight San Francisco & New York 41 1/2
4 months' sight do. 42 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne 1.8 1/2
4 months' sight France 2.16 1/2
6 months' sight " 2.18 1/2
4 months' sight Germany 1.76 1/2
Bar Silver 22 5/16
Bank of England rate ..... 3 1/2 %
Sovereign 11.75

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

French *(Tonkin)* 21st inst.
Indian *(Arratoon Apcar)* 23rd inst.
Canadian *(Empress of Japan)* 31st inst.
German *(Prinz Sigismund)* 6th prox.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Prinz Sigismund* left Sydney on 16th inst., at 7 p.m., and may be expected here on 6th prox.

The Apcar Co.'s s.s. *Arratoon Apcar* from Calcutta, left Singapore yesterday afternoon, and may be expected here on 23rd inst.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Tonkin*, with the French mail of the 21st ult., and mails from London of the 21st ult., will leave Saigon to-morrow, at 10 a.m., and may be expected to arrive here on 22nd inst., morning, and will leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 18th at 1/155 a.—The barometer has fallen very rapidly in E. Japan, owing to the depression which is now moving towards the N.E. over Hokkaido.

An anticyclonic area of considerable intensity now lies over China to the North of the Yangtze and the barometer has risen quickly over N. China.

Pressure is relatively low over the N. part of the China Sea, and gradients are rather steep along the coasts of S. China.

N. and N.E. winds, strong to a gale, are expected to prevail in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.12 inches.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N. and N.E. winds, strong breeze to moderate gale; rainy, colder.

2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. gale.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, N. to N.E. gale.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 3.

Shipping.

Arrivals.

Fooshing, Br. s.s., 1,423, T. Lishman, 17th Dec.,—Wuhu and Chinkiang 13th Dec., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Fukuta Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,946, S. Kumawaki, 17th Dec.,—from Moji, Coal.—M. B. G. K.

Singan, Br. s.s., 1,097, F. Jamieson, 17th Dec., —Haiphong and Hoihow 15th Dec., Gen. —B. & S.

Taming, Br. s.s., 1,550, A. Somerville, 18th Dec.,—Manila 15th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Knivsberg, Ger. s.s., 646, Henk, 18th Dec.,—Haiphong and Hoihow 16th Dec., Rice.—J. & Co.

Haimun, Br. s.s., 636, J. W. Evans, 18th Dec., —Swatow 17th Dec., Gen.—D., L. & Co.

Hsin Chi, Br. s.s., 1,385, Jamieson, 18th Dec., —Shanghai 15th Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Wosang, Br. s.s., 1,127, L. K. G. Hursey, 18th Dec.,—Canton 17th Dec., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,344, F. Sembill, 18th Dec., —Sandakan 12th Dec., Timber and Gen.—M. & Co.

Taishun, Ch. s.s., 1,216, Klopper, 18th Dec.,— Canton 17th Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Foochow, Br. s.s., 1,229, Vincent, 18th Dec.,— Canton 17th Dec., Gen.—E. & S.

Shibetoro Maru, Jap. s.s., Asumi, 18th Dec.,— Tairin, (Manchuria) 11th Dec., Coal.—O. S. K.

Gryfevale, Br. s.s., 2,806, F. Steel, 17th Dec.,— Newcastle 20th Nov., and Port Kembla 25th, Coal.—M. M.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Changchow, for Canton.
Shantung, for Swatow.
Persia, for Shanghai.
Kuichow, for Cebu.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Hsinchi, for Canton.
Derfflinger, for Shanghai.
Loongsang, for Manila.
Kaifong, for Cebu.
Oriel, for Moji.
Choysang, for Shanghai.
Nanchang, for Shanghai.
Feiching, for Shanghai.
Foochow, for Ningpo.
Hanoi, for Kwong-chow-wan.

Departures.

Dec. 18.

Yoboshi Maru, for Singapore.
Tudor Prince, for Singapore.
Hupeh, for Haiphong.
Yungchow, for Canton.
Changchow, for Canton.
Perlim, for Shanghai.
Kashing, for Ningpo.
Hanoi, for Haiphong.
Derfflinger, for Shanghai, &c.
Haitan, for Coast Ports.
Loongsang, for Manila.
Feiching, for Shanghai.
Fatshan, for Canton.

Passengers arrived.

Per *Hsin Chi*, from Shanghai—Mr. and Mrs. Labes and family.

Per *Haimun*, from Swatow—Mr. and Mrs. Bohn, Mr. E. Reese, and 51 Chinese.

Shipping Reports.

Str. *Fooshing*, from Wuhu and Chinkiang:—Light to moderate monsoon, smooth sea and cloudy.

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

Binh-Thuan, Fr. s.s., 984, Ribault, 4th Dec.,— Manila 29th Nov., Ballast.—Bass & Co.

Cholsing, Ger. s.s., 1,022, J. Bruhn, 16th Dec., —Bangkok 10th Dec., Rice.—B. & S.

Choysang, Br. s.s., 1,424, A. E. Sandbach, 17th Dec.,—Canton 16th Dec., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Chunsang, Br. s.s., 1,418, W. E. Sawer, 16th Dec.,—Pasuruan, (Java) 7th Dec., Sugar. —J., M. & Co.

Claverdon, Br. s.s., 2,085, Putt, 10th Dec.,— Cardiff 14th Oct., Coal and Patent Fuel.—D & Co., Ld.

Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 1000, I. Sakurai, 12th Dec.,—Swatow 11th Dec., Gen.—O. S. K.

Derwent, Br. s.s., 1,562, J. Jenkins, 17th Dec., —Saigon 12th Dec., Gen.—Man Fat & Co.

Empress of India, Br. s.s., 5,032, E. Beetham, R.N.R., 10th Dec.,—Vancouver 10th Nov., and Shanghai 8th Dec., Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Fri, Nor. s.s., 860, C. Wagle, 17th Nov.,— Manila 13th Nov., Ballast.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.

Heliopolis, Br. s.s., 2,967, Wiseman, 15th Dec., —Chin-wang-tao 10th Dec., Ballast.—O., L. & Co.

Hilary, Ger. s.s., 1,276, Hatje, 4th Dec.,—Pulo Laut 22nd Nov., Coal.—S., W. & Co.

Hinsang, Br. s.s., 1,536, A. Smith, 28th Nov., —Samarang 16th Nov., Sugar.—J., M. & Co.

Hongkong Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,453, H. S. Smith, 16th Dec.,—San Francisco 17th Nov., and Shanghai 13th Dec., Mails and Gen.—T. K. K.

Joshin Maru, Jap. s.s., 702, Y. Kaburaki, 16th Dec.,—Swatow 12th Dec., Gen.—O. S. K.

Kaifong, Br. s.s., 987, H. Mathias, 13th Dec., —Cebu and Iloilo 9th Dec., Sugar.—B. & S.

Kiang Ping, Chi. s.s., 1,002, H. Udden, 14th Dec.,—Chinkiang 9th Dec., Gen.—Tung Lee & Co.

Kiukiang, Br. s.s., 1,228, Robertson, 17th Dec.,—Canton 16th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Kohsichang, Ger. s.s., 1,292, C. Rosiefsky, 5th Dec.,—Bangkok 19th Nov., Rice and Timber.—B. & S.

Laisang, Br. s.s., 2,224, F. Wheeler, 15th Dec., —Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 8th Dec., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Lennox, Br. s.s., 2,361, F. McNair, 16th Nov., —Shanghai 13th Nov., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Manchuria, Am. s.s., 8,750, J. W. Saunders, 7th Dec.,—San Francisco 10th Nov., and Manila 4th Dec., Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Nanchang, Br. s.s., 1,014, W. J. Miller, 12th Dec.,—Chefoo 8th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Nam Sang, Br. s.s., 2,591, P. M. B. Lake, 15th Dec.,—Moji 11th Dec., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Nicomedia, Ger. s.s., 4,363, P. Wagemann, 11th Dec.,—Portland, Or. 6th Nov., Gen.— P. & A. S. S. Co.

Oriel, Br. s.s., 1,567, G. Maddrell, 13th Dec.,— Moji 7th Dec., Coal.—B. & Co.

Prinz Waldemar, Ger. s.s., 1,737, W. von Senden, 11th Dec.,—Sydney 17th Nov., Gen.—M. & Co.

Prominent, Br. s.s., 746, Christiansen, 17th Dec.,—Tsingtau 12th Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N Co.

Samsen, Ger. s.s., 993, F. Schmetz, 13th Dec., —Bangkok and Swatow 12th Dec., Rice.—B. & S.

Shantung, Ger. s.s., 1,000, G. Gosewisch, 15th Dec.,—Bangkok 6th Dec., Rice and Fish. —B. & S.

Taiyuan, Br. s.s., 1,459, L. Dawson, 17th Dec., —Melbourne via Sydney and Queensland Ports 13th Nov., Gen.—B. & S.

Takasaki Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,000, A. Mocker, 28th Nov.,—from Bombay and Singapore, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1,340, J. Williamson, 11th Dec.,—Saigon 4th Dec., Gen.—Wo Fat Sing.

Theseus, Br. s.s., 2,496, J. Barwise, 11th Dec., —Birkenhead via Singapore 6th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Tosa Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,610, T. L. Harrison, 13th Dec.,—Seattle 10th Nov., and Shanghai 10th Dec., Lumber, Cotton Yarn, Onions and Gen.—N. Y. K.

Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,619, R. Rodger, 14th Dec.,— Manila, P.I. 12th Dec., Hemp and Gen.—S., T. & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

Annie E. Smale, Am. 4-masted schr., 809, J. F. Colstrup, 13th Dec.,—Portland, Or. 8th Oct., Lumber.—Mr. Jack.

Daylight, Br. ship, 3,060, McBryde, 9th Oct.,— Yokohama 19th Sept., Ballast.—S. O. Co.

Lyndhurst, Br. bark, Parnell, 14th Sept.,— Bangkok 20th Aug., Case Oil.—S. O. Co.

Tarang, Br. schooner, 87, Oliver, 7th Dec.,— Palau Island 15th Nov., Iron.—Mr. G. P. Lammert.

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HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.

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H.M.S. Virago ..... " "
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Ships Passed The Canal.

10th November—*Benledi, Bulow Glenavon, Soyo Maru.* 13th November—*Ernest Simons, Menelaus, Telemachus, Taiha Maru, Kowachi Maru, Lituania.* 17th November—*Brosilia, Oanfa, Zieten, Theseus.* 20th November—*Achilles, Caledonien, Carnarvonshire.* 24th November—*Derfflinger, Benvorlich, Sumatra, Sunda, Shimosa.* 27th November—*Suruga, Hitachi Maru, Alcinous, Prieur, Ping Suey, Sanuki Maru, Silesia,* (Ger.) *Yunnan, Beverly, Scandia, Jumna.* 1st December—*Tsarquhar, Soudan, Sumatra, Tonkin.* 4th December—*Bellerophon, Monmouthshire, Polynesien, Ellen Rickmers, Hyson, Nyanza, Silesia,* (Aus.) 8th December—*Boularig, Glenlochy, Indrani, Prinz Eitel Friedrich.* 11th December—*Suevia, Kleist, Doncaster, Sydney, Kamakura Maru, Liberia.* 15th December—*Andalusia, Perseus, Montgomeryshire, Awa Maru.*

Arrivals at Home—10th November—*Flintshire, Catkay.* 13th November—*Colombo Maru.* 16th November—*Bianca.* 17th November—*Maikona, Prometheus.* 19th November—*Nora.* 20th November—*Amboise, Inaba Maru.* 27th November—*Caledonien, Indramayu, Vandalia.* 1st December—*Perseverance, Zieten.* 4th December—*Achilles, Alcinous, Oanfa.* 8th December—*Brasilia, Ping Suey, Hitachi Maru.* 11th December—*Transvaal, Ballerophon, Peiyuenkiang, Princess Alice, Yuen Yuen.* 13th December—*Hyson, Silesia,* (Ger.)

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Yetorofu Maru	Singapore	N. Y. K.	Dec. 20
Sunda	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Dec. 21
Kumano Maru	Manila	N. Y. K.	Dec. 21
Wakasa Maru	Moji	N. Y. K.	Dec. 21
Tonkin	Singapore	M. M.	Dec. 22
Arratoon Apcar	Singapore	D. S. & Co	Dec. 23
Carnarvonshire	Singapore	S., T. & Co	Dec. 23
Asia	Japan	O. & O. Co	Dec. 24
Minnesota	Japan	N. Y. K.	Dec. 25
Emp. of Japan	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co	Dec. 31
P. Sigismund	Sydney	M. & Co.	Jan. 6

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

December 17th, 1908, a.m.

			Bar.	Th.	Hu.	Wind		Wr.
Vladivostock	7	a.m.	—	—	—	—	6	—
Nemuro	6	a.m.	30.20	—	—	W	6	—
Hakodate		"	30.32	—	—	—	0	—
Tokio		"	30.38	—	—	NW	4	—
Kochi		"	30.19	—	—	SW	2	—
Nagasaki		"	29.99	—	—	E	6	—
Kagoshima		"	30.08	—	—	NE	6	—
Oshima		"	30.12	—	—	S	4	—
Naha		"	30.13	—	—	—	0	—
Ishigakijima		"	30.09	—	—	S	6	—
Bonin Is.		"	30.20	—	—	—	0	—
Chefoo	6	a.m	30.19	40	91	—	0	0
Weihaiwei	9	a.m.	30.28	36	—	N	3	0
Hankow	6	a.m.	30.37	45	84	N	2	0
Kiukiang		"	30.22	46	100	NW	4	0
Shanghai	7	a.m.	30.16	50	93	NW	3	0
Gutzlaff		"	30.08	52	93	NW	7	0
Sharp Peak		"	30.12	67	100	—	0	0
Amoy	5	a.m.	30.08	65	89	NE	1	0
Swatow		"	—	—	—	—	0	—
Taihoku	5	a.m	30.08	—	—	—	0	—
Taichu		"	30.09	—	—	—	0	—
Tainan		"	30.06	—	—	N	2	—
Koshun		"	30.04	—	—	E	4	—
Pescadores		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	9	a.m.	30.12	71	85	—	0	0
Hongkong	10	a.m	30.12	70	90	ESE	1	0d
Victoria Peak		"	—	—	—	E	3	—
Gap Rock		"	30.18	—	—	ENE	4	—
Macao		"	30.12	72	—	NE	1	0
Wuchow	9	a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phullen	8	a.m.	30.10	68	—	ENE	1	c
Tourane		"	30.04	73	—	—	0	or
C. St. James		"	29.91	75	—	NNE	2	or
Aparri	6	a.m.	30.01	—	—	E	1	d
Manila	10	a.m.	29.96	81	77	NW	1	c
Legaspi	6	a.m.	29.93	79	—	E	1	c
Bacolod	9	a.m.	—	—	—	ESE	2	c
Iloilo		"	29.91	80	—	NE	1	c
Cebu		"	29.92	80	—	N	2	c
Labuan		"	29.86	82	—	—	—	—

December 18th, 1908, a.m.

Vladivostock	7	a.m.	30.10	1	33	N	0	b
Nemuro	6	a.m.	29.30	—	—	S	8	—
Hakodate		"	29.62	—	—	NW	10	—
Tokio		"	29 63	—	—	—	0	—
Kochi		"	29.95	—	—	N	4	—
Nagasaki		"	30.19	—	—	NW	6	—
Kagoshima		"	30.15	—	—	NW	4	—
Oshima		"	30.16	—	—	N	8	—
Naha		"	30.17	—	—	N	4	—
Ishigakijima		"	30.09	—	—	NE	2	—
Bonin Is.		"	30.08	—	—	S	6	—
Chefoo	6	a.m	30.49	22	100	SW	2	b
Weihaiwei	9	a.m.	30.47	24	—	W	2	c
Hankow	6	a.m.	30.63	39	82	N	2	c
Kiukiang		"	30.54	42	83	NE	5	o
Shanghai	9	a.m.	30 54	37	71	NW	3	o
Gutzlaff		"	30.42	44	68	NNW	6	ov
Sharp Peak		"	30.34	58	70	NNE	6	or
Amoy	6	a.m.	30.15	62	89	NE	5	or
Swatow		"	30.09	63	94	NE	5	or
Taihoku	5	a.m.	30.22	—	—	E	6	—
Taichu		"	30.1[illegible]	—	—	N	4	—
Tainan		"	30.08	—	—	N	4	—
Koshun		"	30.07	—	—	E	4	—
Pescadores		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton		a.m.	30.24	56	81	—	0	or
Hongkong	10	a.m	30.16	65	84	NE	1	od
Victoria Peak		"	—	—	—	N	2	—
Gap Rock		"	30.10	—	—	N	6	—
Macao		"	30 13	62	—	NNW	3	o
Wuchow	9	a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phullen	8	a.m.	30.[illegible]	68	—	ENE	4	o
Tourane		"	30.04	73	—	—	0	or
C. St. James		"	29.93	73	—	NNE	4	or
Aparri	6	a.m.	30.02	—	—	E	1	d
Manila	10	a.m.	30 00	82	70	ESE	2	b
Legaspi	6	a.m.	29.95	79	—	NE	1	o
Bacolod	9	a.m.	—	—	—	ENE	1	o
Iloilo		"	29.87	80	—	NE	1	c
Cebu		"	29.93	80	—	N	1	c
Labuan		"	29.85	81	—	—	—	—

	Dec. 17 at 10 a.m.	Dec 17 at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.12	30.03
Temperature	70	72
Humidity	92	85
Rainfall	0.03	—

Post Office.

☞ The Public are informed that the next outgoing Parcel mail to Europe will be closed in this office on Christmas Eve, Thursday, the 24th of December, at 5 p.m.

☞ In accordance with an instruction received from the American Postal Authorities the present the weight limit on parcels to America by the direct route has been altered from 11 lbs. to its old limit 4 lbs. 6 ozs.

☞ Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dairy and Siberia:—

17th December, at 8.30 A.M.
25th December, at 10.00 A.M.
31st December, at 8.30 P.M.

A Mail will close for:—

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco, (Will take letters to Europe marked via Siberia)—Per *Manchuria*, 19th Dec., 11 A.M.

Tsingtau and Chefoo—Per *Nanchang*, 19th Dec., 1 P.M.

Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 19th Dec., 1.15 P.M.

Amoy and Tamsui—Per *Daifuku Maru*, 19th Dec., 3 P.M.

Shanghai—Per *Chuysang*, 19th Dec., 3 P.M.

Shanghai—Per *Yoshing*, 19th Dec., 5 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per *Joshin Maru*, 19th Dec., 5 P.M.

Swatow—Per *Haimun*, 20th Dec., 9 A.M.

Shanghai—Per *Chowsa*, 21st Dec., 3 P.M.

Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle—Per *Taiyuan*, 21st Dec., 3 P.M.

Shanghai—Per *Koonshing*, 21st Dec., 3 P.M.

Tsingtau, Nagasaki and Vladivostock—Per *Ascania*, 21st Dec., 4 P.M.

Samarang, Soerabaya, and Batavia—Per *Quarta*, 21st Dec., 5 P.M.

Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle—Per *Tosa Maru*, 22nd Dec., 10 A.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Haichang*, 22nd Dec., 10 A.M.

Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland, Or.—Per *Nicomedia*, 22nd Dec., 10 A.M.

Shanghai—Per *Loongsang*, 22nd Dec., 10 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, *via* Tuticorin—Per *Dumbea*, 22nd Dec., 11 A.M.

Manila—Per *Taming*, 22nd Dec., 2 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Namsang*, 22nd Dec., 3 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per *Wakasa Maru*, 22nd Dec., 5 P.M.

Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per *Kumano Maru*, 23rd Dec., 11 A.M.

Swatow, Tsingtau, Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Chin-wan-tao—Per *Choongshing*, 23rd Dec., 11 A.M.

Durban—Per *Heliopolis*, 24th Dec., 10 A.M.

Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle—Per *Nikko Maru*, 24th Dec., 11 A.M.

Manila—Per *Yuensang*, 24th Dec., 3 P.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per *Chiyo Maru*, 26th Dec., 10 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco, (Will take letters to Europe marked via Siberia)—Per *Hongkong Maru*, 26th Dec., 10 A.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Laisang*, 26th Dec., 10 A.M.

Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji—Per *Arratoon Apcar*, 28th Dec., 11 A.M.

Manila—Per *Tean*, 29th Dec., 2 P.M.

Singapore and Colombo—Per *Hirano Maru*, 29th Dec., 5 P.M.

Europe, &c., India, *via* Tuticorin—Per *Bualow*, 30th Dec., 11 A.M.

Manila, Yap, Fr. Wilhelmshafen, Simpsonhafen, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per *Prinz Waldemar*, 31st Dec., 4 P.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco, (Will take letters to Europe marked via Siberia)—Per *Asia*, 2nd Jan., 10:9, 11 A.M.

Singapore—Per *Indrevadi*, 5th Jan., 11 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle, Wash.—Per *Shinano Maru*, 5th Dec., 11 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle—Per *Minnesota*, 9th Jan., 11 A.M.

Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji—Per *Fooksang*, 11th Jan., 11 A.M.

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Alacrity	despatch-vessel	700	4	3,000	Commander C. T. K. Fuller	Hongkong
Astraea	cruiser, 2nd class	3,360	10	7,000	Captain F. E. C. Ryan	Hongkong
Bedford	cruiser, 1st class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain S. E. Erskine	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	6	900	Lt.-Comdr Hon. R. O. B. Bridgeman	Shanghai
Britomart	river gunboat	710	6	900	Lieut.-Commander F. B. Noble	Shanghai
Cadmus	sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Commander H. L. P. Heard	Shanghai
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	Master S. West	Hongkong
Cillo	sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Commander C. T. Borrett	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	306	6	5,700	Lieut.-Commander A. L. Grayson	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 2nd class	4,360	10	7,000	Captain Rowland Nugent	Shanghai
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	Lieut.-Commander B. J. D. Guy, v.c.	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	Lieut.-Commander Dickes	Canton
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander C. A. Fremantle	Hongkong
Kent	cruiser, 1st class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain G. C. A. Marescaux	Hongkong
King Alfred *	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	18	30,000	Captain Clinton Baker	on route Singapore
Kinsha	river gunboat	616	4	1,200	Lieut.-Commander T. J. S. Lyne	Yan, tse
Merlin	surveying ship	1,070	6	1,400	Commander F. H. Walter	on route Hongkong
Monmouth	cruiser, 1st class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain G. W. Smith	Woosung
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Commander C. C. Walcott	West River
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander R. S. Roy	Yangtse
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6,300		Hongkong

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT. RESERVE	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT. AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION, BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	125,000	$125	$125	£1,500,000 $14,000,000 $250,000	$2,005,774	Interim of £2 for first half year @ ex 1/9½=$21.942	5½ %	$850 sellers London £82
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£6	£4,000 $150,000	$10,213	$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	—	$50
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	$250	$50	$1,560,000 $232,757 $411,990	none	$14 for 1907	7½ %	$195 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	£125,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 305,747 Tls. 118,277	Tls. 160,512	Final of 7/5 making 15/- for 1907	5½ %	Tls. 105
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	$250	$100	$3,000,000 £90,000 $302,478 £129,695 $727,649	$2,506,011	Final of $15 making $45 for 1906 and interim of $30 for 1907	5½ %	$840 sa. and s.
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	$100	$60	$1,000,000 $190,032 $85,157	$591,763	$12 and bonus $3 for 1906	9 %	$165 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	0,000	$100	$10	$1,000,000 $346,097 $13,802	$372,432	$6 and bonus $2 for 1906	7½ %	$106
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	$250	$50	$1,323,941	$428,027	$27 for 1906	8 %	$325
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	$25	$25	$7,000	$1,035	$1 for 1906	—	$14
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	$50	$50	$264,638 $99,057	Nil.	$2½ for year ending 30.6.1908	7½ %	$31 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$15	$15	$250,000 $587,500 $81,766 $17,655	$17,755	$1½ for first half-year ending 30.6.08	8½ %	$29½ sellers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld. (Preferred) Do. do. (Deferred)	60,000 60,000	£5	£5	£10,000 £240,000	£13,755	6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/9 11/16=$3.154	5½ %	$37 $17
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited Do. (Preference)	200,000 100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 75,000	Tls. 14,510	Interim of Tls. 1½ for account 1908	7½ %	Tls. 48 sellers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	£72,000 £ 00,000	£63,817	Final of 1/- making 3/- for 1907 and interim of 1/- (No. 10) for a/c 1908	7 % 6 %	Tls. 51 buyers 47/-
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000 10,000	$10 $10	$10 $5	$1.00 $0.50 $ 5,000 $47,221	$98	for year ending 30.4.1908	4 % 5½ %	$24 $15
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 8,00 Tls. 42 ,479 Tls. 7 ,000 Tls. 8 ,000 Tls. 12,000	Tls. 6,869	Final of Tls. 2½ making Tls. 5 for 1907	11 %	Tls. 48
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	$100	$100	$32,538 $450,000 $56,848	Dr. $279,171	$8 for year ending 31.12.06	—	$112½
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	$100	$100	none	Dr. $135 131	$3 for 1897	—	$20 sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none Tls. 100,000	Tls. 9,173	Tl 3½ for year ending 31.8.07	—	Tls. 82½ buyers
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ld.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£17,000 £12,289	£11,556	Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year ending 29.2.08	7½ %	Tls. 17½ buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000 50,000	£1 £1	6/10 £1	£4,872	Dr. £2,191	No. 12 of 1/-=48 cents	—	$9
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	$25	$25	$53,601	$3,726	$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	—	$12
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld.	60,000	$50	$10	$50,000 $26,806 $40,000	$5,556	Final of $1½ making $3½ for 1907	7½ %	$44 sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ld.	50,000	$50	$50	$76,193 $209,000	$384 847	Interim of $4 for account 1908	8½ %	$91 sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ld.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 33.742	Final of Tls. 2½ making in all Tls. 5 for year ending 30.4.08	6½ %	Tls. 72½ buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 697,257 Tls. 75,000 Tls. 125,000	Tls. 22,626	Interim of Tls. 4 for account 1908	5½ %	Tls. 135 sales
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ld.	*25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 6,531	Tls. 6 for 1907	6 %	Tls. 100
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	$25	$25	$30,000	Dr. 24,200	$2½ for year ending 30.6.07	—	$16
Central Stores, Limited	50,128	$15	$15	$1,000	59,178	$1.80 for 1906	—	114 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	$50	$50	$643,975 $21,000	$14,639	Interim of $3 for account 1908	7½ %	$80 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ld.	50,000	$100	$100	$250,000	$86,915	Interim of $3½ for account 1908	7½ %	$93 sellers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	$10	$10	$217,430 $52,000	$4,621	70 cents for 1907	7½ %	$9½ sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	$50	$30	none	$658	$1½ for 1907	6½ %	$35
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,523,045 Tls. 170,030	Tls. 107,517	Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1908	7 %	Tls. 119 sales
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	$50	$50	none	$1,541	Interim of $3 for account 1908	9 %	$46
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ld.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150,000	Tls. 8,823	Tls 5 for year ended 31.10.18	7½ %	Tls 75 b. ex div.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	$10	$10	Tls. 45,919 $22,000	19 553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	5 %	$10 sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ld.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 75 ,000	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8 %)	—	Tls. 60
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 6,398	Tls. 8 for 1906	—	Tls. 72½ sellers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 28,257	Tls. 50,663	Tls. 50 for 1906	—	Tls. 250
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	£1,500	£648	1 10½ p. share for 1907=$1.037	12 %	18 buyers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	$12	$12	$25,000	Nil.	$1.20 for 1907	11 %	$11
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	$10	$10	none	61,138	60 cents for year ended 28.2.06	—	$5½
Do. Do. special shares	*50,000	$1	$1					
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ld.	125,000	$10	$10	$120,000	3,393	80 cents for 1907	8½ %	$9½ buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	$7½	$6	$10,000 68,000	548	$1.50 for year ending 31.7.08	5½ %	$22½
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	$10	$10	$12,000	15 078	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	10 %	$10 sellers
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	$10	$10	$5,000	$251	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8 %	$12 buyers
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	$20	$20	$186,000	18,957	$2 for year ending 28.2.08	10 %	$20½ buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	$10	$10	none	9,321	$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08	6½ %	$18 buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$25	$25	$120,000	54,578	Interim of $4 for account 1907	8½ %	$230 sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ld.	60,000	$10	$10	none	58,191	Interim of $1 for account 1908	8 %	$24
Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Bosch- en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 547,500				
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	$10	$10	Tls. 27,603	Tls. 17,127	4th Quarterly div. of Tls. 10 and bonus of Tls. 10 making $50 to date	5½ %	Tls. 860 b. ex d
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	$10	$1	$5,000	$7,471	80 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on $1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08	6 % 4 %	$14 $8
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	$10	$10	none	Nil.	None	—	$8
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 6,603	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7½ for 1907	6½ %	Tls. 117 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 75,000	Tls. 8,493	Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907	12 %	Tls. 122½ buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,850	£20	£20	Tls. 190,000	Tls. 58,132	Final of 37/6 making 52/6 for 1907	—	Tls. 435
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	$25	$25	none		None	—	$74
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	$ 5	$ 5	none	Dr. $20,237	40 cents for year ending 31.5.08	8 %	$5
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 15,295	$236	Tls. 6½ for year ending 30.4.07	—	Tls. 94 buyers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	$10	$10	Tls. 4,000	Tls. 801	50 cents for 1907	5 %	$10
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	$10	$4	$35,000	$111			
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	99,000	$10	$10	$300,000	$1,360	80 cents on 9,000 ord. shares and $19.80 on 100 Founders' shares for yr. end. 31.5.07	6½ %	$13 buyers
William Powell, Limited	15,000	$7	$7	$25,000 none	$6,438 $3,95	Interim of 30 cents a/c 1908 Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	6½ % —	19½ $4

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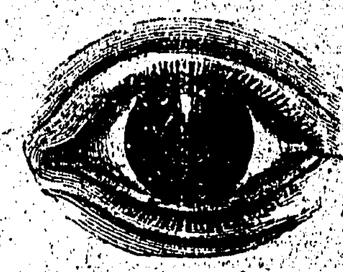

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